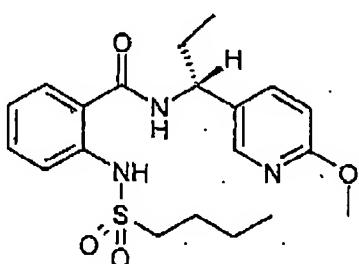


Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) 2-(Butyl-1-sulfonylamino)-N-[1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)propyl]benzamide of the formula I



or its physiologically tolerable salts.

2. (Currently Amended) The compound 2-(Butyl-1-sulfonylamino)-N-[1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)propyl]benzamide as claimed in claim 1, *per se*.

3. (Original) A method for the therapy or prophylaxis of cardiac arrhythmias, of supraventricular arrhythmias, of atrial fibrillation or atrial flutters comprising the administration of an efficacious amount of 2-(butyl-1-sulfonylamino)-N-[1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)-propyl]benzamide or a physiologically tolerable salt thereof as claimed in claim 1.

4. (Original) A pharmaceutical preparation for human or veterinary use comprising an efficacious amount of 2-(butyl-1-sulfonylamino)-N-[1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)propyl]benzamide of the formula I or a physiologically tolerable salt thereof as claimed in claim 1, together with pharmaceutically acceptable vehicles or additives.

5. (Original) The pharmaceutical preparation of claim 4 further comprising one or more other pharmacologically active compounds.

6. (Original) 1(R)-(6-Methoxypyridin-3-yl)propylamine.

7. (Currently Amended) A process for the preparation of preparing the compound 2-(butyl-1-sulfonylamino)-N-[1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)propyl]benzamide or its physiologically tolerable salts, the process comprising the use of 1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)propylamine as an intermediate comprising the step of coupling a sulfonylaminobenzoic acid with 1(R)-(6-methoxypyridin-3-yl)propylamine.